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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, GW, VN

SUBJ: FRG AND DRV

REF: STATE 129011

1. FRG MINISTER COUNSELOR WOLFF AT HIS REQUEST URGENTLY  
CALLED ON ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY HUMMEL JULY 17  
TO INFORM US OF HIS GOVERNMENT'S INTENTION TO OFFER TO  
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BEGIN NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE DRV AIMED AT ESTABLISHMENT

OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. THE FRG WAS ANXIOUS THAT WE BE AWARE OF THE STATE OF ITS RELATIONS WITH THE DRV IN VIEW OF ANY POSSIBLE MISUNDERSTANDING AS A RESULT OF RECENT PRESS ANNOUNCEMENTS ON THE SUBJECT. THE FRG HAD NOTED WITH SATISFACTION THE VIETNAM CEASEFIRE, THE REMOVAL OF MINES IN NORTH VIETNAMESE WATERS AND ECONOMIC DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN THE U.S. AND THE DRV, AS WELL AS THE FACT THAT A NUMBER OF OTHER EUROPEAN COUNTRIES HAD ALREADY GRANTED RECOGNITION TO THE DRV.

2. THE CABINET ON JULY 11 INSTRUCTED FONMIN SCHEEL TO BEGIN NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE DRV ON POSSIBLE RECOGNITION AND, IF SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED, ON POSSIBLE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE. THE FRG AMBASSADOR IN PARIS WILL OFFER TO HOLD SUCH TALKS WITH HIS COUNTERPART THERE.

3. IN ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION OF THIS SUBJECT WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY YOU MAY WISH TO DRAW ON POINTS B THROUGH E, REFTTEL, AND TO SEEK FRG ASSURANCES THAT IT WILL HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH PRG. RUSH

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